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1. Statement					
Novelty (N)	Claims Claims	1-10	YES		
Inventive step (IS)	Claims Claims	1-10	YES		
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims Claims	1-10	YES		

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Documents cited in the International Search Report:

D1: WO 02088622, A1

D2: US 4982667, A

D3: US 6186070, B1

The cited documents represent the general state of the art.

The invention defined in claims 1- 10 is not disclosed by any of these documents.

The cited prior art does not give any indication that would lead a person skilled in the art to the claimed device to control material or fragment discharge from a primary or secondary liner in connection with triggering as described by the claims. Therefore, the claimed invention is not obvious to a person skilled in the art.

Accordingly, the invention defined in claims 1- 10 is novel and is considered to involve an inventive step. The invention is industrially applicable.